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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Jeng H. Hwang et al.
SERIAL NO.: 09/747,667
FILED: December 22, 2000
FOR: PLASMA HEATING OF A SUBSTRATE WITH
SUBSEQUENT HIGH TEMPERATURE ETCHING

§ GROUP ART UNIT: 1765
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§ EXAMINER: S. Ahmed
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§ Attorney Docket No.:
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Date: August 22, 2003

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114,
AMENDMENT "C", AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is applicants' Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR § 1.114. This Request for Continued Examination is being submitted in response to the final Office Action mailed May 23, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response of August 23, 2003, and to the Advisory Action mailed August 1, 2003.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as U.S. EXPRESS MAIL NO. EU627418596US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	<u>CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT</u>	<u>INCLUDED WITH BASIC FEE</u>	<u>PRESENT EXTRA</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>ADDITIONAL FEE</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	49	minus	20	29	x \$ 18.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	minus	3	0	x \$ 84.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if first presented) REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION FEE			previously paid		\$ 280.00
					\$ 00.00
					\$ 750.00
				TOTAL FEE DUE	\$1,272.00

Also submitted herewith is applicants' Amendment "C", in response to the Advisory Action mailed August 1, 2003, which indicated that applicants' previously submitted Amendment "B" would not be entered, as it raised new issues that would require further consideration and/or search.

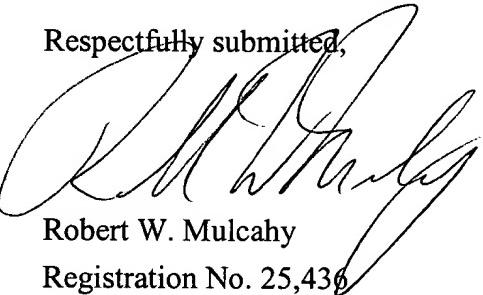
Also submitted herewith is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(1). This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement includes references which were cited by the Examiner during prosecution of applicants' related application, U.S. Serial No. 09/747,652, which has been allowed. Applicants do not believe that any fee is due in connection with submitting this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination in the subject application. However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account 50-1074 of Applied Materials, Inc., Santa Clara, California.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$ 1,272.00, in payment of the fee of \$ 750.00 under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) for filing of a Request for Continued Examination, and the additional claim fee of \$ 522.00, as well as any additional fees which may be due, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-1074 of Applied Materials, Inc., Santa Clara, California.

This transmittal letter is submitted in duplicate for accounting purposes.

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Respectfully submitted,



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